

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) Valve which is insertable into a receiving recess of a valve carrier, the valve comprising a first housing part and a closing body which cooperates with a sealing surface to form a sealing seat, the valve being fixable in the receiving recess of the valve carrier by means of the first housing part, wherein a second housing part is connectable by way of a first end to the first housing part and the sealing surface cooperating with the closing body is formed on the second housing part, wherein the first housing part is connectable to the second housing part via a press-fit connection, the first housing part having a bearing surface which, with the valve inserted, determines the axial position of the latter with respect to the valve carrier, and wherein an overall length (L) of the valve is determinable between a second end of the second housing part and the bearing surface of the first housing part by a depth to which the first end of the second housing part is pressed into the first housing part, or to which the first housing part is pressed into the first end of the second housing part the pressing-in depth of said pressing-in between said housing parts being increased by supporting the second housing part in the receiving recess upon insertion of the valve.

Claims 2 and 3 (Cancelled).

4. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing element sealing in the axial direction is provided in the region of the bearing surface.

Claim 5 (Cancelled).

6. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein a sealing edge is formed at the second end of the second housing part.

7. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein a first region is formed on the first housing part, this region forming a first press fit with a first region of the second housing part.

8. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 7, wherein a second region is formed on the first housing part, this region forming a second press fit with a second region of the second housing part, which has a different radial extent in relation to the first press fit.

9. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 8, wherein a first conical transition is formed between the first region and the second region of the first housing part, and a second conical transition is formed between the first region and the second region of the second housing part.

10. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 8, wherein, to increase the pressing force with increasing pressing-in depth, at least one of the regions of the first housing part and/or of the second housing part is conically shaped.

11. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 8, wherein the axial extent of the first region of the second housing part and the axial extent of the second region of the first housing part are equal.

12. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein to check the pressing-in depth, a marking is arranged on the first housing part or on the second housing part.
13. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein to limit the pressing-in depth, a stop surface is formed on the first or the second housing part.
14. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 13, wherein a region which is plastically deformable when the second housing part is pressed deeper into a first housing part is formed on the first housing part.
15. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 14, wherein the plastically deformable region has a radially outwardly directed pre-curvature on the first housing part.
16. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein the second housing part has an inlet opening axially penetrating through the second housing part.
17. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein the first housing part has a central recess for receiving the closing body and the first end of the second housing part.
18. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 17, wherein at least one radial outlet opening is made in the first housing part in the region of the central recess.

19. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 18, wherein in the region of the central recess, at least one further radial opening is arranged offset with respect to the at least one outlet opening axially in the direction of the closed end of the central recess.

20. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 19, wherein the closing body is formed as a collection receptacle and at an outer periphery thereof includes an encircling groove, the axial position and extent of which are chosen so that the groove at least partly overlaps the at least one further radial opening when the closing body, with the valve mounted, sealingly cooperates with the sealing surface.

21. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 16, wherein the closing body forms, with the central recess of the first housing part, a clearance fit which adjusts the damping of the valve, and the pressure medium displaced from a rear volume upon movement of the closing body can be led away through the gap forming the clearance fit between the closing body and the central recess.

22. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein the sealing surface is formed on the end face of the first end of the second housing part.

23. (Previously Presented) Valve according to Claim 1, wherein the first housing part is fixable in a valve carrier by means of a screw connection.